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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above captioned patent application (which is filed herewith), and for calculation of the proper filing fee, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered.

In the Specification:

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, line 2:

-- RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation application claiming priority under 35 USC §120 to US serial number 09/931836 filed 8/16/01 which claims priority under 35 USC §120 to U.S. serial numbers: 09/311832 Filed 5/14/99; 09/380142 Filed 8/25/99, now abandoned; 09/644848 Filed 8/22/00; 09/747259 Filed 12/20/00; 09/816744 Filed 3/22/01; 09/854208 Filed 5/10/01; 09/854280 Filed 5/10/01; 09/874503 Filed 6/5/01; 09/869599 Filed 6/29/01; 09/908,827 Filed 7/18/2001; and which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to PCT international application numbers: PCT/US99/10733 Filed 5/14/99; PCT/US99/28551 Filed 12/2/99; PCT/US99/30720 Filed 12/22/99; PCT/US00/05601 Filed 3/1/00; PCT/US00/05841 Filed 3/2/00; PCT/US00/14042 Filed 5/22/00; PCT/US00/15264 Filed 6/2/00; PCT/US00/23522 Filed 8/23/00; PCT/US00/23328 Filed 8/24/00; PCT/US00/32678

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In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-21 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 22-27 as follows.

- --22. (New) An antibody that binds to the polypeptide shown in Figure 20 (SEQ ID NO:45)
 - 23. (New) The antibody of Claim 22 which is a monoclonal antibody.
 - 24. (New) The antibody of Claim 22 which is a humanized antibody.
 - 25. (New) The antibody of Claim 22 which is an antibody fragment.
 - 26. (New) The antibody of Claim 22 which is labeled.
- 27. (New) The antibody of Claim 22 which specifically binds to the polypeptide shown in Figure 20 (SEQ ID NO:45).--

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REMARKS

Claims 1-21 have been cancelled. New Claims 22-27 have been added. Applicants respectfully request early entry of these new claims for prosecution in this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (650)225-4563 if any issues may be resolved in that manner.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the and by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the specification:

A new paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 has been added.

In the claims:

Claims 1-21 have been cancelled.

Claims 22-27 have been added.